

IX. *Description of the male of Alcimus dilatatus, Fairm.*  
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THIS insect was originally described by Fairmaire (in the Rev. Zool. 1849, p. 416), from a female example, and as the male appears to be unnoticed, I subjoin a short description.

♂. Latus, leviter convexus, obscure castaneus, nitidus; mandibulae capite paulo longiores, curvatae, apice attenuatae, basi subtus tuberculo parvo, supra pone medium dente cylindrico recurvo armatae. Caput subtilissime coriaceum, pone oculos dente parvo armatum. Thorax capite paulo latior, longitudine duplo latior, lateribus parallelis, marginibus incrassatis subcrenatis, angulis posticis rotundatis; supra subtilissime coriaceus, dorso fere laevi. Elytra thoracis latitudini aequantia, fortiter striata, striis impunctatis, interstitiis subplanis crebre fortiter punctatis.

Long. cum mand. 13 lin.; lat.  $5\frac{1}{4}$  lin.

♂, *var. minor.* Mandibulae capite paulo breviores. Caput circa oculos parce fortiter punctatum, pone oculos rotundatum. Thorax transversus, antice paulo angustatus, nitidus, latera versus parce fortiter punctatus. Elytra lateribus minus parallelis.

Long. cum mandib. 9 lin.; lat. 4 lin.

*Hab.*—Samoa Is.

The large development is in Major Parry's collection; the smaller one is in the British Museum, and was collected by the Rev. S. J. Whitmee. Both specimens are from the same locality. The female was described from Wallis Island, a small island at some distance from the main island, but belonging to the Samoas.